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SUBJECT: PRESS REPORT ON US OIL FIRM CONTACTS WITH HANOI

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1. ACCORDING TO MR. HENRY MUCCI, U.S. CITIZEN WHO IS MANAGING DIRECTOR, SUNNINGDALE OIL CO. SOUTHEAST ASIA, MR. LLOYD FLOOD OF SUNNINGDALE VISITED HANOI PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS AND SPOKE WITH "RANKING OFFICIALS" OF PETROLEUM AND MINERALS COMMITTEEREGRADING RESUMPTION OF OFF-SHORE DRILLING.

2. MUCCI SAID FLOOD, A CANADIAN CITIZEN, WAS RECEIVED WARMLY AND THAT THE NORTH VIETNAMESE WERE WILLING TO CONSIDER RENEWED OPERATIONS, ALTHOUGH ON TERMS DIFFERENT FROM THOSE ACCORDED BY GVN.

3. MUCCI SAID NORTH VIETNAMESE MADE CLEAR THEIR WILLINGNESS
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TO SEE U.S. FIRMS RESUME DRILLING OPERATIONS, DEPENDING,

OF COURSE, "ON TERMS" (WHICH PRESUMABLY MEANS COMMERCIAL,
RATHER THAN POLITICAL, CONDITIONS).
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